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July 31, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

Board of Supervisors
GLORIA MOLINA
First District

YVONNE B. BURKE
Second District

ZEV YAROSLAVSKY
Third District

DON KNABE
Fourth District

MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH
Fifth District

**PROBATION DEPARTMENT:
AUTHORIZE THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS
FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR THE SIX
SITE COMPREHENSIVE ANTI-GANG INITIATIVE GRANT
(ALL DISTRICTS - 3 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to submit a grant application to the Office of Emergency Services (OES) for the Six Site Comprehensive Anti-Gang Initiative in the amount of \$205,000 for the period following the day after Board approval to September 30, 2009.
2. Approve and instruct the Chair to affix a wet signature to the attached Certification of Assurance of Compliance form, as required by OES to complete the application.
3. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer, or his designee, to accept and execute the Grant Award Agreement (GAA) upon award of grant funding by OES, to serve as project director and to sign and approve any revisions to the GAA that do not require any net County cost (NCC).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The U.S. Attorney for the Central District has been awarded federal funds for a Comprehensive Anti-Gang Initiative in Southeast Los Angeles. The State OES serves as the fiscal agent for this program. As determined by the Initiative's Steering Committee, OES will award the Probation Department \$205,000 for the Six Site Comprehensive Anti-

Gang Initiative. The grant will be used to implement a prevention program for juveniles identified as high-risk in the target area.

OES requires applicants to complete a Certification of Assurance of Compliance form which includes details regarding an applicant's Equal Employment Opportunity Program, Drug Free Workplace Compliance, California Environmental Quality Act Compliance, Lobbying, Debarment and Suspension requirements, and Proof of Authority from City Council/Governing Board. Applicants are required to submit the necessary assurances and documentation before finalization of the GAA.

Board authorization to apply for and accept grant funds is requested in order to comply with OES requirements and submit the completed form with the application.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions are consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan Goal No. 4: Fiscal Responsibility, by maximizing revenues to offset program costs.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

It is anticipated that the Probation Department will receive \$205,000 for the FY 2007-08 and FY 2008-09. No additional NCC will be used for this project.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) is providing new funding to combat gang violence in Los Angeles under the Anti-Gang Initiative. DOJ will dedicate \$2.5 million to support new and expanded anti-gang prevention and enforcement efforts under the Project Safe Neighborhoods Initiative in the Central District. This initiative is authorized by H.R. 2862, the Science, State, Justice, Commerce and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2006.

The Six Site Comprehensive Anti-Gang Initiative aims to significantly reduce gang crime and to create an effective partnership among criminal justice agencies and the community to combat gang crime. The Six Site Comprehensive Anti-Gang Initiative target area includes three of the largest public housing developments in California: Imperial Courts (498 Units), Jordan Downs (706 Units), and Nickerson Gardens (1,163 Units), each of which serves as the home turf of a particularly violent street gang. Participants in this collaborative effort include the U.S. Attorney for the Central District, Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, Los Angeles City Mayor's Office, Los Angeles City Attorney's Office, Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles County Probation Department, and California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Pursuant to your Board motion of December 15, 1998, the Alternate Public Defender, Public Defender, and Sheriff's Departments have been notified of this request. Responses received from the Sheriff's Department determined that this request will have no impact on their services. The Public Defender and the Alternate Public Defender believe Six Site Comprehensive Anti-Gang Initiative will impact their workload; however, they are unable to determine the extent of the impact at this time. The District Attorney is a participant in the Six Site Comprehensive Anti-Gang Initiative.

CONCLUSION

Following Board authorization to submit an application for this program, the Executive Officer, Clerk of the Board, is requested to call Mr. Daniel Sahagun at (562) 940-2615 or Mr. Hector Estrada at (562) 940-2857 to pick up two copies of the adopted Board Letter and one OES Certification of Assurance of Compliance Form with a wet signature.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment

c: County Counsel